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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Applicant : Anthony John Bell et al.
Serial No. : 09/784,980
Filed : February 16, 2001
For : TASTE MODIFIED HARD
CONFECTIONERY COMPOSITIONS
CONTAINING FUNCTIONAL
INGREDIENTS
Examiner : Robert A. Madsen
Art Unit : 1761
Attorney Docket No. : 5641C1-07-LAV

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ON May 20, 2003

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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May 20, 2003

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

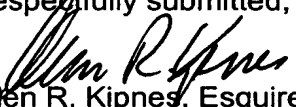
This is in response to the Office Action of March 26, 2003. Applicants have filed concurrently herewith a Petition for a one month extension of time along with the requisite fee extending the date for response to May 26, 2003.

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The latest Office Action has set forth a Restriction Requirement with three groups of claims. Applicants hereby elect the subject matter of Group I (claims 1-9) and specifically reserve their right to pursue the subject matter of the non-elected claims through the filing of a divisional application.

It is believed that no fee is due in connection with this matter. However, if any fee is due, it should be charged to Deposit Account No. 23-0510.

Respectfully submitted,


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